



## CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL AUTHORITY

August 24, 2009

Dear Stakeholder:

The California High-Speed Rail Authority's public board meeting will be held Thursday, September 3, at the Sacramento City Council Chambers, 915 I Street, in Sacramento, California. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 10:00 am.

## Items on the agenda include:

- Recovery Act Funding. The Board will be discussing and deciding whether to approve the Authority's proposed application for American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding.
- Public Outreach Contract. Staff will present an overview of the proposals received for the statewide Public Information and Communications contract and the results of the selection process for Board review and approval.
- Metro MOU. Staff will request authorization to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Los Angeles
  Metropolitan Transportation Authority.

## Highlights of the August 6th meeting include:

- The Board directed that all Board materials be provided to the public on the Web site.
- A workshop outlining the different phases of the high-speed rail project (project phasing) was conducted by Chief Engineer
  Kent Riffey and Project Manager Tony Daniels (and can be viewed on the Authority's Web site).
- Chairman Pringle announced the creation of three committees (Operations, Finance, and Executive/Administrative).
- Executive Director Morshed introduced the new Deputy Director for Communications, Jeffrey Barker.

Please note that after adjournment of the September 3rd Authority meeting and a brief intermission, there will be a workshop regarding Financial Planning for the high-speed rail project.

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I look forward to seeing you in Sacramento.

Sincerely,

Mehdi Morshed Executive Director